BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE STATE OF NEBRASKA

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STATE OF NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE,)	
PETITIONER,) CONSENT ORDER	
VS.)	
DONALD GRANTHAM,) CAUSE NO. A-1634	
RESPONDENT.))	

In order to resolve this matter, the Nebraska Department of Insurance ("Department"), by and through its attorney, Martin W. Swanson and Donald Grantham, ("Respondent"), mutually stipulate and agree as follows:

JURISDICTION

- 1. The Department has jurisdiction over the subject matter and Respondent pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. §44-101.01 and §44-4001, et seq.
- 2. Respondent was licensed as a resident insurance agent under the laws of Nebraska at all times material hereto.

STIPULATIONS OF FACT

- 1. The Department initiated this administrative proceeding by filing a petition styled State of Nebraska Department of Insurance vs. Donald Grantham, Cause Number A-1634 August 17, 2005. A copy of the petition was served upon the Respondent at the Respondent's home address and registered with the Department by certified mail, return receipt requested.
- 2. Respondent violated Title 210 NAC Ch. 19 §§006.01, 006.02A, and Neb. Rev. Stat. §44-4059(1)(b) as a result of the following conduct:

- a. On March 3, 2005, Respondent took an application for life insurance from Sentry Life Insurance Company that replaced the former life insurance policy issued by New York Life for Dennis L. Hullman.
- b. In the Notice Regarding Replacement the Agent's signature is left blank.
- c. Sentry Insurance admitted, in a letter dated April 28, 2005 to Cynthia J. Williamson, Insurance Investigator for the Nebraska Department of Insurance, that the replacement form was not signed due to a "processing error."
- d. Respondent, in a May 9, 2005, issued a statement through Sentry Insurance that the "Sentry Life Home Office failed to return the form to me for my signature before proceeding with the processing of the application."
- 3. Respondent was informed of his right to a public hearing. Respondent waives that right, and enters into this Consent Order freely and voluntarily. Respondent understands and acknowledges that by waiving his right to a public hearing, Respondent also waives his right to confrontation of witnesses, production of evidence, and judicial review.
 - 4. Respondent admits the allegations contained stated in Paragraph #2 above.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Respondent's conduct as alleged above constitutes a violation of Title 210 NAC Ch. 19 §§006.01, 006.02A, and Neb. Rev. Stat. §44-4059(1)(b).

CONSENT ORDER

It is therefore ordered by the Director of Insurance and agreed to by Respondent, Donald Grantham, that he shall pay an administrative fine of \$1000. The fine shall be paid in total within thirty days after the Director of the Department of Insurance affixes his signature to this document and approves said consent agreement. If Respondent fails to pay this fine in the time specified, his Nebraska's insurance producers license shall automatically be suspended. In witness of their

intention to be bound by this Consent Order, each party has executed this document by subscribing their signature below. Martin W. Swanson, #20795 Attorney for Nebraska Department of Insurance 941 "O" Street, Suite 400 Lincoln, Nebraska 68508 (402)471-2201 Date State of County of Donald Grantham, personally appeared before me and read this Consent Order, executed the same and acknowledged the same to be his voluntary act and deed. GENERAL NOTARY - State of Nebraska NANCY CONDELLO **Notary Public** My Comm. Exp. Feb. 5, 2007 I hereby certify that the foregoing Consent Order is adopted as the Final Order of the Nebraska Department of Insurance in the matter of State of Nebraska Department of Insurance vs. Donald Grantham, Cause No. A-1634. STATE OF NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE L. TIM WAGNER Director of Insurance

Date

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the executed Consent Order was sent to the Respondent, at 3117 Kipling Street, Lincoln, Nebraska 68516, by certified mail, return receipt requested on this

day of September 2005.